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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Mabel Rosetta Kinser Cole, who passed away on April 17, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, Mabel Cole was born on August 16, 1910 east of Virden; her parents were John Michael and Ellen Otey Kinser; she married George Allen Cole on April 5, 1931 at her parents' home west of Greenfield; and

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WHEREAS, Mabel Cole moved to Greenfield at the age of 9; after graduating from Greenfield High School in 1928, she attended 6 weeks of training at Illinois State Teachers College in Normal and began teaching in a one-room country school; and

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WHEREAS, Mabel Cole led 4-H clubs, taught Sunday school classes, and was actively involved in the Home Bureau while raising her children; she then resumed teaching school by accepting the position to teach Head Start in Nilwood; she later taught at schools in Girard and Palmyra; and

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WHEREAS, Mabel Cole was an avid reader a writer of poems, prose, and short stories; she also loved writing contest entries and won several prizes, including a trip to the New York World's Fair, while a member of the Springfield Contest

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2 WHEREAS, In 1991, Mabel Cole was honored by Lt. Governor  
3 Corinne Wood with the Illinois Woman of Achievement Award; she  
4 was also inducted into the Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame in 2007  
5 and was the last surviving founding member of the Silver  
6 Strands Senior Citizens Center in Palmyra; and

7 WHEREAS, As a child, Mabel Cole attended Wesley Chapel  
8 Church east of Virden; she later attended Greenfield First  
9 Baptist Church, where she held membership throughout her life;  
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11 WHEREAS, Mabel Cole was preceded in death by her parents;  
12 her husband; 2 brothers, Guy and Lynn Kinser; a sister, Floy  
13 Kinser Chapman; and a grandson, Jonathan Vial; and

14 WHEREAS, Mabel Cole and her husband were the parents of 4  
15 children, David (Shirley), Gale (Joy), Nancy Vial, and Kendall  
16 (Charlot); they also had 13 grandchildren, 33  
17 great-grandchildren, and 21 great-great-grandchildren;  
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with her  
21 family and friends, mourn the passing of Mabel Rosetta Kinser

1 Cole; and be it further

2       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
3 presented to the family of Mabel Cole as an expression of our  
4 sympathy.